

Dear Chairman Powell and Commissioners,

I am a long-time voter and would like to be informed about issues that affect my life. I am flabbergasted by the lack of informative television programming.

Local public affairs programming appears to be totally non-existent. What will happen to our democracy when most Americans don't even know the most basic facts about the candidates or the issues?! We want to bring it to Iraq but we lose it at home, gentlemen!

Broadcasters have failed in their obligation to serve the public interest. Hence the FCC must define public interest requirements that include local civic and electoral affairs programming. Broadcasters should air several hours per week of local civic and electoral affairs programming AND, PLEASE, substantive election coverage prior to Election Day.

Yours truly

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